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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE **STATEMENT**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant wishes to bring the reference materials listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office. Copies of the references are provided for the Examiner's convenience.

No representation is made or intended that a complete and exhaustive prior art search has been made, or that no better references than those set forth below are available. Furthermore, this Statement does not constitute an admission that these references are properly citable against the present application as prior art.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this case.

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This information disclosure statement is being filed before receipt the first office action. Therefore, applicants believe that no fees are due. However, in the event that the first office action has been mailed prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0615 in the amount of \$240.00, to cover the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement under §1.197(c). The Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any deficiency/overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0615. Two copies of this paper are attached.

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